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DEFORMABLE MATERIAL
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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Sir:

Pursuant to 37 CFR Sections 1.97 and 1.98, applicant respectfully requests that the documents listed on the attached Form PTO 1449, be made of record and considered in connection with the examination of this application. Copies of the listed document are enclosed. A translation of the foreign language documents is not readily available.

The documents submitted herewith were cited in a Search Report (copy enclosed) issued in a European application corresponding to the above-referenced application.

International Publication WO 95/06780 discloses a ground stabilizing mat.

International Publication WO 96/20627 (corresponds to European Application No. EP 0 800 358 (cited in the Search Report) discloses a mat for supporting persons in a standing working posture.

Swedish Patent No. 104,758 discloses a rubber mat.

Danish Patent No. 170,603 discloses a mat for supporting a standing working person.

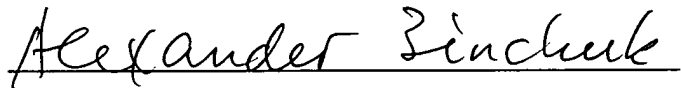
German utility Model G86 32 856.5 discloses a floor cover (1) the bottom of which is provided with a plurality of pyramidal knobs (3). The cover or plate is formed of an elastic material.

French Patent No. 1,384,544 discloses a floor cover (1) formed of an elastically deformable material, the upper surface of which has a plurality of equidistantly spaced from each other, projections (3), and the bottom surface of

which has a plurality of likewise equidistantly spaced from each other, projections (4) longitudinally offset with respect to the upper projections (3).

None of the cited references discloses or suggests the structure recited in Claim 1 of the instant application.

Respectfully submitted,

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